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(Proceedings commence at 02:21 p.m.) 1 2 THE COURT: All right, please be seated. MR. WEDDLE: Good afternoon, Your Honor, Justin 3 Weddle for the Trustee. 4 5 Just before we call our first live witness, I wanted to take care of some formalities. At this time, on 6 7 behalf of the Trustee we offer the deposition designations that are included in the pre-trial order, Your Honor. 8 THE COURT: All right. The Court is in the process 9 of reviewing all of the designations, counter designations 10 and objections. 11 12 What I will do -- well, let me ask Mr. Kirpalani 13 what your view about is. I mean I'm -- I am -- I intend to 14 rule on all of the objections. I'm not in a position to do it right at the moment, but I will be in the next day or two. 15 MR. KIRPALANI: Yes, Your Honor. Susheel Kirpalani 16 17 from Ouinn Emanuel for the record. 18 I think Your Honor said during one of the last 19 status conferences that your practice is to provisionally 20 allow --21 THE COURT: Yes. 22 MR. KIRPALANI: -- in circumstances like this. 23 of course have no objection to that. THE COURT: All right. So that -- again, I had 24

made some comments during the last -- during the pre-trial

that I also want witnesses to come on once. I essentially do that with depositions as well.

So what I'm going to do is I'm going to conditionally admit in evidence all of the designations and counter designations testimony, subject to the Court's ruling on the objections that have been made.

And what I will probably do is prepare an order that refers by deposition page, whether as every line number we'll see, with the ruling. Just a very short ruling, you know, sustained or overruled with respect to the objections and one can look at the transcript.

It was very useful the way -- it was done the way I wanted it to be done. The depositions, clearly. You know, I have one set of transcripts that show the designations, counter designations and where the objections are. And we're in the process of getting through that. Almost there in fact. But I've get it down in an order.

So I will conditionally admit in evidence the deposition designations and counter designations subject to ruling on objections. The depositions and counter designations are all shown in the joint pre-trial order which the Court entered. Okay?

MR. WEDDLE: Thank you, Your Honor. And the couple more that I think are even easier than that, which is to offer the joint exhibits into evidence. Those are listed in

the pre-trial order.

2 THE COURT: Where, which tab on the pre-trial order do I find those?

MR. KIRPALANI: I think that's at D for the pretrial.

THE COURT: D?

MR. KIRPALANI: I'm sorry, Your Honor. The original order

THE COURT: Mr. Kirpalani, your view? No objection, right?

MR. KIRPALANI: Well, yeah, the joint exhibits, we have no objection, yeah.

THE COURT: Well, my only hesitancy, I am going to admit them. There are 100 exhibits listed on this joint exhibit list.

What I've usually found is that the parties over designate their exhibits, so I've got no pre-trial order, but in total, I haven't tried to count the number of pages, but it's huge.

And so, what -- in most cases, I'm usually reluctant to do that. You know, you want to -- if you refer to an exhibit and want to offer it, fine, it will come in.

These are ones with no objection. But I usually find less than half of the exhibits that get pre-marked actually wind up coming into evidence. And there are an enormous number of

exhibits that each side has designated. This hundred on the joint list is a fairly small number.

I'll simply things by saying all right they will be admitted into evidence. I may come to regret it, but -- because I feel compelled to review each and every exhibit that's admitted in evidence.

We shouldn't think that the same is going to apply when you start going through your exhibit lists, even if there are exhibits as to which there's no objection. I just — because, you know, when you're preparing for trial you list everything you conceivably think you may want to use and I don't — I don't let people just dump in every exhibit they conceivably think they may want to use, because I'm going to feel compelled before I rule to read every exhibit. Okay?

MR. WEDDLE: Thank you, Your Honor, that's very helpful guidance. And part of the reason that I'm doing this, Your Honor, at this time, of course, is that we're about to call a series of expert witnesses.

And of course it's not necessary for the documents that they rely on to be admitted into evidence under Rule 703 and Your Honor's already indicated as much in your order.

THE COURT: With limits I did.

MR. WEDDLE: With limits of course. And so you know, that -- that's the issue, is the limits, Your Honor.

And so that's why we think, as we put in our briefs, that the

reports have been -- the admissibility of the reports has been litigated, Your Honor's ruled on it. We're about to move to cross examination of Mr. Tuliano. So the parts of his report that Your Honor did not rule were excluded, we think we're ready to go --

THE COURT: Well, I wasn't going to make you go ahead and re-do your reports, okay? Because I think I can decide -- I've said -- I've set out the principles that I'm applying in deciding what was admissible and I said as to the rest, it will be disregarded.

I wasn't going to go through and give you a list of every page and line reference where that was the case. I've set out the principles that I'm applying.

If you're going to offer -- if you want the exhibits that your experts rely on, you're going to have to offer them. I'm not -- I'm not -- particularly because part of the objection from the Defendants was that there's inadmissible hearsay and while yes, experts are entitled to rely on certain hearsay, it's not an across the board ruling.

So you're going to have to move -- you can do it after you, you know -- what I prefer is before a witness gets off the stand, you've moved in evidence whatever -- whatever you move in evidence. If there are no objections, they'll come in at that point.

But particularly in light of the motion in limine

that was made with respect to the expert reports and the Court's ruling on it, I'm not simply going to say that every document that an expert listed in their report is coming into evidence. There they were -- you know, there's serious hearsay objections of things that don't go to expert opinion. Okay? That's --

MR. WEDDLE: That's completely understood, Your Honor. But with respect to, for example, the joint exhibits --

THE COURT: I've already said the joint exhibits are in, okay?

MR. WEDDLE: Right. And then in addition, Your Honor, there are -- I'm not going to -- I take Your Honor's guidance --

THE COURT: Can we just get on with the evidence?

MR. WEDDLE: We can, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Because I'm making clear I'm not admitting in evidence everything you have on your exhibit list. You're going to need to have to move it into evidence. If there no objections, it will in all likelihood come in, but I'm not -- you know, I'm not -- there are enormous exhibit lists in this case.

MR. WEDDLE: I understand that.

THE COURT: And I'm not just simply agreeing everything is in evidence, because I'm the one who's going to

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1	bear the brunt of it at the end of the case when I've got to
2	go through and make sure I've read every exhibit.
3	MR. WEDDLE: Thank you, Your Honor.
4	THE COURT: Let's get on with the evidence.
5	MR. WEDDLE: Thank you.
6	THE COURT: Who for the Plaintiff is going to call
7	the first witness?
8	MR. POHL: Good afternoon, Your Honor. Steven Pohl
9	for the Trustee. Our first expert witness is Ralph Tuliano,
10	formerly of Mesirow, now with FEM Consulting.
11	THE COURT: Thank you. Mr. Tuliano, would you come
12	up and be sworn? If you would raise your right hand to be
13	sworn. If you would stand, that's right Thank you.
14	RALPH TULIANO, PLAINTIFF'S WITNESS, SWORN
15	THE COURT: All right. Please have a seat. I saw
16	you brought your own water up. There's water in the pitcher
17	if you need.
18	THE WITNESS: Thank you.
19	THE COURT: Thank you very much. Go ahead, Mr.
20	Pohl.
21	MR. POHL: Your Honor, given that the method here
22	is that the reports are in we'll tender them for cross, I'd
23	like to just approach Mr. Tuliano. I have an agreement with
24	Defense counsel to give him his four reports.
25	THE COURT: Absolutely.

THE WITNESS: Thank you. 1 2 THE COURT: Mr. Pohl, were they marked as exhibits? I want to make sure. I've got a lot of paper in here. How 3 have -- how have they been identified? Do I have -- go ahead 4 5 if you would, please. MR. WERDER: I don't think the expert reports have 6 7 been marked as exhibits, Your Honor. I think maybe the --THE COURT: You had them attached to your motion in 8 9 limine. MR. WERDER: Yes. We do have. If the Court needs 10 copies, I think we have some spare --11 12 THE COURT: Yes, I would. Yeah, that would be 13 great, Mr. Werder, I appreciate it. 14 MR. POHL: I think we had sent all of ours to chambers, all of our expert reports. At different --15 16 THE COURT: I have a whole box of expert reports 17 and the exhibits to the expert reports. 18 MR. POHL: Okay, I apologize, Your Honor. 19 THE COURT: All right. So the record is clear, the 20 Tuliano -- how many reports are there, Mr. Pohl? MR. POHL: There's four, Your Honor. 21 22 THE COURT: Okay. The four Tuliano reports are in evidence, except for those portions that have been ruled upon 23 24 and excluded in the order -- in the opinion on the motion in

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limine.

- MR. POHL: Understood.
- THE COURT: All right. Thanks very much.
- MR. POHL: With that we would tender out expert for
- 4 cross.
- 5 THE COURT: Thank you very much. Mr. Werder.
- 6 MR. WERDER: Good afternoon, Your Honor, Rick
- 7 Werder from Quinn Emanuel for the Defendants.
- 8 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 9 BY MR. WERDER
- 10 Q Good afternoon, Mr. Tuliano.
- 11 A Good afternoon, Mr. Werder.
- 12 Q It's been a while.
- 13 A It has.
- 14 Q I think it was December of 2009. A long time.
- 15 A Good to see you again.
- 16 Q Thank you. For your work on this case you reviewed
- various projections, correct, sir?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q And you -- in at least one of your work papers, you
- 20 categorized those various projects into several different
- 21 categories, correct?
- 22 A We differentiated between management base case
- 23 projections and the various downside projections that were
- 24 run.
- 25 Q Exactly. That was -- maybe my question was a little too

open ended, but you categorize certain projections as 1 2 management projections, correct? There were management base case projections that were 3 performed by the company and I -- it wasn't my 4 5 classification, it was the company's classification that these were the management projections. 6 7 And in addition to management case projections, you also 8 reviewed certain projections that were designated as base cases, correct? 9 The management projections were designated, to my 10 11 knowledge, as base case projections, but yes, there's 12 different nomenclature that was used by different parties. 13 MR. WERDER: May I approach the witness, Your 14 Honor. 15 THE COURT: Yes, please. Go ahead. Thank you. 16 MR. WERDER: Mark this for identification as 17 Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit #1. 18 (Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit 1 was marked for 19 identification) 20 BY MR. WERDER: 21 Q This is one of your work papers, correct, Mr. Tuliano? 22 I'm sorry, it looks like it could be. Typically on my 23 work papers there's a footer at the bottom that will say that 24 our firm prepared it, but I'll take your representation.

All right. And so if you look over in the far left hand

Pg 14 of 105 133 column, you see a number of B's, W's, D's, CRT's --1 2 Α Yes. -- and M's, correct? 3 Q 4 Α Yes, I do. 5 Q And B stands for base, correct? 6 Α Yes. And D stands for downside? 7 Q I believe that's the case. 8 Α 9 And M stands for management, correct? Q 10 Α Yes. 11 And CRT stands for credit stress, is that right? Q 12 Α Correct. 13 And W, which I think is the last category, stands for 14 worst case, correct? 15 Α Yes. 16 Okay. Now the projections that you reviewed for your 17 work on this case were prepared by, among others, five 18 different banks, correct? 19 I believe that's correct. I'm just trying to recall if 20 every bank had a set of projections, but --But some number of different banks? 21 Q 22 Α Yes. All right. And in addition to -- and you reviewed the 23 Q

banks' credit memos, did you not?

Yes, I did.

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- Q And in the banks' credit memos, they generally discussed a management case and a base case and one or more downside cases, correct?
 - A Management memos varies in terms of their discussions and they vary over different points in time, so there's generally a discussion about the projections, some of which will have a discussion of the management case, some of which would have a discussion of downside cases, but I can't tell you as I sit here that every set looked at all three, given the nomenclature that is designated here.
 - Q Sure, there's a lot of paper. But if we look at what I've marked for identification as Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit 1 and we look about mid way down the age, you see three Merrill Lynch July 15th, 2007 cases that you have reported there, correct?
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- 17 Q And one of them is a management case, am I right?
- 18 A Yes.
- Q And one of them is a base case and the last one is a downside case, correct?
- 21 A Yes.
- Q And the management case was in fact higher than what

 Merrill was designating as the base case as of July 15th,

 correct?
- 25 A Yes.

Q And you found that commonly, did you not, that certain of the banks would have in their memos what they call the management case and then they would have a separate base case, correct?

A Yes. I think said another way the management case was the highest case of all of the projections that were evaluated and whether it was a base case or a downsize case, it was a variation to the downside with respect to the management case.

Q Well, my question to you, sir, was that in the bank credit memos that you reviewed, many of the banks had a management case reported and then they had a separate base case reported, am I right?

A Yes.

Q And in general, based upon your observation, the banks base cases were somewhat more conservative than the management case, correct?

A I don't think, sir, I'd agree that they're both conservative. I think that the base cases in those memos were somewhat lower than the management case, but I wouldn't characterize either of them as conservative.

Q Well, let me try it using your phrase then. The bank cases generally projected — the bank base cases generally projected, over the projection period, somewhat lower EBITDA than the management case, correct?

A That is correct.

- Q And those were the credit memos that were presented to the bank credit committees when approval was sought for this transaction, am I right?
 - A I believe those memos were prepared in terms of evaluating the credit and several of them were titled credit memos. I do not know specifically which of those were presented to which credit approval committee for which bank.
 - Q Okay. That's fine. But, sir, focusing on the bank base cases, every bank reported on every bank case that LBI would generate sufficient free cash flow to fund debt service and capital expenditures, correct?
 - A I'm sorry, sir. I do not know that. I have not gone through each base case and tested the cash flow. I will tell you that the cash flow within the management case was problematic for a number of reasons and therefore I would expect those problems would extend to the base case projections in terms on including or, in this case, the management case, not including material items that the company was aware of but did not include in the projections.
 - Q My question, sir, was that every bank reported under every bank base case the LBI would generate sufficient cash flow to fund debt service and capital expenditures, did they not?
 - A I have not tested each of those base cases. I test

downside cases in conjunction with the capital adequacy and what I'm telling you is because the management, which is the highest of all of these cases, had problems in terms of the cash flow that was projected and things not being included in that cash flow, then my conclusion would be, as I would expect, given the base cases that the banks had, were lower than the management case, that those cases would have the same problem as the management case.

THE COURT: I'm just looking at the Merrill Lynch

July 15th, 07 -- I'm looking at the management case, base

case, downside case, but for 2007 Merrill Lynch's base case

was higher than management case.

 $$\operatorname{MR.}$$ WERDER:: Well, in 2007 it may have been -- let me ask the witness a question about that.

BY MR. WERDER:

- Q You looked at metric called mid-cycle EBITDA, correct, sir?
- A Yes, that is one of the metric.
- Q And that's the metric that's reported in the second last column on the right hand side of Exhibit Cross Examination 1, correct?
- A Correct.
 - Q And if we look at the mid-cycle EBITDA or the July 15th management case, that is higher than for the July 15th base case, correct?

- A I'm sorry, for Merrill Lynch?
- 2 Q Yes, for Merrill Lynch. It's 47.58 for the management
- 3 case and 45.58 for the base case, correct?
- 4 A Correct.

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- Q And we'll talk a little bit more about that metric as we move forward, but you're understanding, if you look across the line of the Merrill base case versus the Merrill management case, the base case has lower projections than the
 - A Yes. Over the entirety of the period.

management case, does it not, sir?

- Q Okay. And you didn't independently test any of the assumptions underlying any of the either base cases or downside cases that's the banks reported in their credit memos, did you, sir?
 - A Well, I tested the downside cases. I selected three downside cases that --
 - THE COURT: You know it would really help if you listened to counsel's question.
 - THE WITNESS: Okay.
 - THE COURT: And answer the question that's asked and then if the Plaintiff's counsel wants to ask you additional questions, they can. But cross examination goes faster if you listen carefully to Mr. Werder's questions and answer that.
- MR. WERDER: Thank you, Your Honor.

BY MR. WERDER:

- Q You didn't independently test any of the assumptions underlying either the bank base cases or the bank downside cases, did you, sir?
 - A No, I accepted those projections.
- Q Thank you. Now you've reported in your -- and we're going to focus principally I think this afternoon, on your opening in 2009 report which is the November 2009 report.

You reported in that report the results of various financial analyses that you performed, correct, sir?

- A Yes.
- Q And one of the tests that you reported results on was something that you called a cash flow adequacy test, correct?
- A Correct.
- Q And that cash flow adequacy test is an important of the analysis that you performed for purposes of forming your opinions in this case, is it not?
- A Yes.
- Q And your cash flow adequacy tests all start with projected EBITDA, am I right?
- 21 A Yes.
 - Q And focusing on the cash flow tests that you did -- that your reported in November of 2009 for the company as of December 2007, all of the projections that you used were labeled by the banks that created them either downside cases

- or credit stress cases, correct?
- 2 A Correct.
- 3 Q Your report did not include the results of any cash flow
- 4 tests done on any bank's base case, am I right?
- 5 A Yes.

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- Q And all of the base cases that all of the banks
 presented in the projections that you performed would have
 passed your cash flow adequacy test as of December 20th of
 2007, correct?
- 10 A I do not know.
- 11 Q You didn't perform that test?
 - A I did not test the base case, it was the purpose of the case flow adequacy test, it was to test in a downside, contemporaneous downside, whether the business plan would be able to function and fund itself, even if things did not got as planned as represented in the base cases.
 - Q All right. So is it your testimony, sir, that you can't, based on having performed the credit the cash flow adequacy tests that you performed, you can't know just by looking at those tests that the EBITDA projections in every single one of the bank's base cases would have passed that test?
- 23 A I can't tell without performing the test.
- Q Okay. Maybe we'll look at a couple of them a little bit later. Now your exhibit -- your report, I think you said you

- identified 36 different sets of projections, correct?
- 2 A That's correct.
- 3 Q And those are the projections and you have them charted
- in your report and we'll look at your chart momentarily. But
- 5 the 36 sets of projections that you reported on in your
- 6 report are the 36 sets of projections that are summarized on
- 7 Exhibit Cross Examination 1, correct?
- 8 A I'm sorry, I don't know without going through. We
- 9 actually looked at more than 36 sets of projections. There
- were more sets. We narrowed it down to 36. This very well
- 11 could be the 36, but I'm sorry, I don't know whether these
- are the precise 36 that we looked at.
- Q Well, you charted 36 cases at page 43 of your 2009
- 14 report, did you not, sir?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q And you provided backup for your chart, which I will
- 17 represent to you -- page 44 actually, which I will represent
- 18 to you is what is sitting in front of you as Exhibit Cross
- 19 Examination 1. So --
- 20 A That's fine.
- 21 Q -- in any event, it's 36 cases, correct?
- 22 A Correct.
- 23 Q And the sets of projections that you discussed in your
- 24 report, whether or not you looked at more and didn't discuss
- 25 them, you discussed 36 different sets of projections,

- 1 correct?
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q And the projections that you chose for your various
- 4 analysis, you picked from that group of 36 sets of
- 5 projections, right?
- 6 A Yes.
- 7 Q Now 16 of the 36 sets of projections on your chart were
- 8 prepared prior to July 15th of 2007, correct?
- 9 A That looks right.
- 10 Q Okay. And I'm right, am I not, that none of the
- projections that were prepared before July 15th of 2007 would
- have reflected any consideration of Lyondell's managements
- internal projections for the Lyondell business, correct?
- 14 A I believe July 15th was the first time. I think that's
- 15 correct.
- 16 Q Okay. Those internal Lyondell projections were in fact
- 17 | not provided to Merrill Lynch, the banks, Access, Basell
- until shortly before July 15th, correct?
- 19 A Correct.
- 20 Q And so the projections that were prepared, the 16 sets
- of projections on your set of 36 that were prepared prior to
- July 15th of 2007 would not have reflected any consideration
- of Lyondell management's internal projections for its
- 24 business, correct?
- 25 A Other than for the Houston Refinery, I think that's

- 1 correct. There was a data room that was set up for the
 2 Houston Refinery and, as I understand it, Basell had access
 3 to that data room and would have evaluated potentially
 4 purchasing that refinery, so they would have had access to
 5 that information, that predated this, but with that
 6 exception, you're correct.
 - Q Okay. And that was backed in 2006, correct?
- 8 A Correct.

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- 9 Q And that was at the time when Lyondell was deciding
 10 whether or not to sell or keep the Houston Refinery, right?
- 11 A Correct.
 - Q And ultimately they bought out their business partner and increased their ownership in that refinery from 50 percent approximately to 100 percent, correct?
- 15 A Correct.
 - Q And that changed the economics of the operation of the Houston Refinery from the perspective of the Lyondell Chemical Company, correct?
- 19 A Yes.
- Q All right. Now, getting back to the chart, Exhibit

 Cross Examination 1, it's also true is it not that none of

 the projections that were prepared prior to July 15th

 reflected the final synergy estimates that management

 developed after the merger agreement, right?
- 25 A That's correct.

- Q And the earliest projections that reflected or considered managements final synergy estimates were the ones that you refer to on your chart as the projections presentation 9/26/07, correct?
 - A I don't think that's correct.

- Q Which projections do you believe were prepared before September 26, '07 that reflected the final synergy estimates, sir?
 - A I'm sorry, that's going the other way. I believe the November 29th -- there's a November set of projections that reflected some implementation costs for those synergies that were not reflected on that September.
 - Q Thank you, you're correct and let me rephrase my question. Before none of the projections that were prepared before November, are you saying, reflected management's final synergy estimates?
 - A That's -- I believe that's correct. As it pertains to those synergy estimates with implementation costs deducted from those synergy estimates.
 - Q And you're talking about the calculation that resulted in a projection of net synergies 55 million for 2008 or 45 million after implementation costs, correct?
 - A That's correct.
 - Q The 420 million run rate synergies were estimated by management and first included in the 9/26/07 projection set

- that's listed on your chart, correct?
- 2 A I believe that's correct.
- 3 Q Okay. Now the purposes of your cash flow adequacy test,
- 4 and frankly for purposes of all of the financial tests that
- 5 you reported in your report in November of 2009, you used
- 6 three sets of projections, correct?
- 7 A I'm sorry, I think that's incorrect. Not for -- for the
- 8 cash flow adequacy test, that's correct.
- 9 Q Well, we'll look at the other tests. Let me focus on
- 10 the cash flow adequacy test for present purposes. For
- 11 purposes of your cash flow adequacy test, you used the April
- 12 10th Merrill Lynch credit stress case, correct?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q And then you used a July 10th Merrill Lynch downside
- 15 case, correct?
- 16 A Correct.
- 17 Q And you used a 7/15 -- July 15th Citi downside case,
- 18 correct?
- 19 A Correct.
- 20 Q Now you refer to these three sets of projections in your
- 21 report as contemporaneous down side projections, correct?
- 22 A Correct.
- 23 Q The Merrill Lynch credit stress case was prepared three
- months or more prior to the closing of the deal, correct?
- 25 A Well, three months prior to the signing of the merger

- 1 agreement, that's correct.
- 2 Q Prior to the signing of the merger agreement, three
- 3 months in advance of that, correct?
- 4 A Correct.
- 5 Q And it was prepared six months in advance of the closing
- 6 -- eight months in advance, I'm sorry, of the closing of the
- 7 transaction, correct?
- 8 A Correct.
- 9 Q And the other two sets of projections that you used were
- all prepared six months prior to the closing, correct?
- 11 A That's correct.
- 12 Q Okay. And none of those --
- 13 A I'm sorry, five months from July to December?
- 14 Q Let's say five and a half, I'll split it with you. But
- none of the projections, none of those three sets of
- 16 projections that were downside and credit stress projections
- 17 were built off of managements final base case, correct?
- 18 A They were built off the July 15th case, that's correct.
- 19 Q Okay. And the latest downside case on your chart is
- from Goldman's October 2nd credit memo, correct?
- 21 A When you say the latest downside case.
- 22 | Q Well, if you look -- you have them organized
- chronologically on your chart, do you not?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q And the latest down -- the latest D that I see is

- Goldman Sachs' 10/2/07 downside case, I'm right about that,
 am I not?
 A Yes.
 - Q Okay. And that was something that you pulled from Goldman Sachs' October 2nd 2007 credit memo, correct?
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- 7 Q Did you review that memo, sir?
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- 9 Q All right. Do you like paper or electronic for purposes of exhibits?
- 11 A Either is fine. Whatever is easier for you.
- Q Well, why don't I give you -- I 'll give you a set of paper. We're going to show them -- the paper is a little long.
- MR. WERDER: May I approach, Your Honor.
 - THE COURT: Yes, please. Just for everybody's benefit, you don't to ask permission to approach the witness if you're bringing him documents or if you approach the witness to show the witness something, you can do that.

 Opposing counsel, if they wish, may approach as well. Thank you.
- 22 BY MR. WERDER:
 - Q I want to direct your attention, sir, I'm going to put it on the screen. You can look at it in the binder if you want as well. But Defendant's Exhibit 180. And that is

in fact the October 2nd, 2007 Goldman Sachs' memo from which 1 2 you drew the projections that we just looked at on your chart, correct? 3 Α Correct. 4 5 And in that memo, which was prepared in October, Lyondell's under performance for the second and third 6 7 quarters was among the topic that Goldman discussed, correct, 8 sir? 9 Α Yes. 10 And Goldman presented a downside case in those -- in 11 that memorandum that it described as a severe downside case, 12 correct? Okay, so why don't we show that up on the screen? 13 Yes. 14 And they reported that trough EBITDA in their downside 15 case reflected about a 40 percent drop from the levels in 16 2007, correct, sir? 17 I'm sorry, I'm not seeing where you're pulling that 18 from. Correct. 19 Okay, thank you. Now the downside case is presented at 20 page 23 of their credit memo, am I right? 21 Α Yes. 22 And we'll talk a little bit more about the mechanics of your cash flow adequacy test later, but you didn't report the 23

results of running your cash flow adequacy case on the

downside case projections in Goldman's October 2nd credit

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- 1 memo, did you sir?
- 2 A No.
- MR. WERDER: Mark this for identification as

 Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit 2.
- 5 (Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit 2 was marked for 6 identification)
- 7 BY MR. WERDER:
 - Q You recognize the format of this document, do you not, sir?
- 10 A Yes.

- 11 Q This is the format that you used to report the capital
 12 adequacy or cash flow adequacy tests that you reported in
 13 tables three through five of your 2009 report, correct?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q And just a couple of questions about how you prepared
 16 that analysis. First of all you started with EBITDA
 17 projections that you drew from one or more sets of
 18 projections, correct?
- 19 A Correct.
- 20 Q And you calculated expenditures, anticipated
 21 expenditures for debt service and capital expenditures based
 22 on the final capital structure of the company, correct?
- A That is true with respect to interest. Capital expenditures we took from the case.
- 25 Q If I said capital expenditures, I apologize. With

- respect to interest and debt service, you calculated 1 2 anticipated expenditure numbers based on the final capital structure of the company, correct? 3
 - I believe that's correct.
- 5 Okay. And the number that you reported for capital expenditures in tables three through five of your 2009 6 7 report, those capital expenditures were ones that you drew off of the particular downside case that you were analyzing, 8 9 correct?
- 10 Α Correct.

- 11 And then what you did was to compare the various 12 expenditure numbers to the -- and you made one other 13 adjustment. Withdrawn, you made one other adjustment, did 14 you not, sir?
- 15 Α Yes.
- 16 You adjusted for the Bear (phonetic) and Solvay 17 acquisitions?
- 18 Α Correct.
- 19 Correct? And then you reported the cash flow net of the 20 interest capital expenditures and debt repayment, right?
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- And, sir, do you have any doubt that using Goldman 23 Sachs' October 2007 downside case and your very analysis shows a cumulative total surplus and a surplus in every year?
- 25 Well, I'm sorry, it shows a deficit in 2010. It shows

- roughly a very slight positive in 2011. It shows a little
 bit more positive in 2012. And the debt to EBITDA ratios
 were quite high with respect to this.
 - Q The cumulative totals are positive across the board, are they not, sir?
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- Q And the surplus or the -- I guess I call it surplus, the cumulative total that's built up over the five year period is almost \$1.5 billion, correct, sir?
 - A Assuming no early debt amortization, that would be correct.
 - Q And you didn't assume any early debt amortization other than the debt repayment line in any of your cash flow analysis, did you, sir?
- 15 A No.
- Q Okay. So this chart is apples to apples with tables
 three to five of your November 2009 report, correct?
- 18 A It looks right.
 - Q And what it shows is that over the five year period, using what Goldman characterized as a severe downside case and the latest case on your chart, your cash flow adequacy test is passed, correct, sir?
 - A It shows positive cumulative cash flow. I would want to evaluate this in the context of the other projections that were prepared whether this reflects a true downside scenario

- as opposed to potentially Goldman's view. The capital
 expenditures here are extremely low and lower than amounts
 people have listed in terms of Mr. Trout's has mentioned an
 \$800 million number for regulatory and safety purposes.
- So I would want to evaluate the test in the context.

 But to answer -- it's positive, if that's your question.
- Q Well, that's what your cash flow adequacy test was
 attempting to show, correct? Whether the number was positive
 or negative?
- 10 A I'm sorry, sir, but --
- 11 Q Can you answer that yes or no?
- 12 A I can't.
- Q Withdrawn.
- 14 A I'm sorry. No, I'll say no.
- 15 Q Thank you, sir.
- 16 Q The chart also includes an ABN AMRO downside case, does 17 it not, sir?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q And that ABN AMRO case was taken from a July 21st ABN
- 20 AMRO credit memo, correct?
- 21 A Yes.
- Q And you don't report the results of any of your tests using that downside case either, do you, sir?
- 24 A No.
- 25 Q Do you have any doubt that it would pass, sir?

- A Based on this, I think the numbers would be positive.
- 2 Q Thank you, sir. Now, let's go back if we could to
- 3 Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit 1. And I started to ask
- 4 you about this a little bit earlier, but one of the pieces of
- 5 data that you show on your chart is mid-cycle EBITDA,
- 6 correct?
- 7 A Correct.
- 8 Q And mid-cycle EBITDA is defined as the average EBITDA
- 9 over a presumed peak to trough cycle, correct?
- 10 A Correct.
- 11 Q And mid-cycle EBITDA is a standard metric that used for
- evaluating projections and results of a cyclical company like
- 13 Lyondell Basell, correct?
- 14 A Correct.
- 15 Q And you used the mid-cycle EBITDA metric to evaluate the
- 16 various sets of projections that you studied, correct, sir?
- 17 A Correct.
- 18 Q And if we look at figure six of your November 2009
- 19 report, that is a chart that you presented in your report
- 20 that contains the results or contains a line graph that shows
- 21 all 36 sets of --
- MR. WERDER: It's on page 44, Your Honor.
- 23 THE COURT: Of which of these?
- MR. WERDER: Of the November 2009, they're not
- 25 dated on the cover evidently.

- 154 THE COURT: No. Hold on. 1 2 MR. WERDER: It's November 7th, 2009. THE WITNESS: It should be the thickest report, 3 Your Honor. 4 5 THE COURT: Okay. And where on the thickest report am I going to go? 6 7 MR. WERDER: On page 44. THE COURT: Okay. Just hold on. Okay, I'm there. 8 9 MR. WERDER: Very good. Thank you, Your Honor. BY MR. WERDER: 10 So on figure six you have graphed the 36 sets of 11 12 projections that are the subject of your review, correct, 13 sir? 14 Correct. 15 And you don't show it on your chart, but in point of 16 fact the three sets of projections that you use rank very low 17 on the chart, don't they, sir? 18 Α They are in the bottom 40 percent. 19 All right. 20 MR. WERDER: Mark this for identification as Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit 3. 21 22 (Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit 3 is marked for identification) 23 BY MR. WERDER: 24
 - Q My graphics aren't quite as good as Mr. Kirpalani's from

- 1 this morning, but the -- you say, how did you characterize
- 2 them, in the bottom what?
- 3 A 40 percent.
- 4 Q Bottom 40 percent.
- 5 A Uh-huh.
- 6 Q Okay, well, the -- two of them -- one of them is almost
- 7 the lowest of the low, isn't it, sir?
- 8 A That's the credit stress test.
- 9 Q Okay. That's worse than in the bottom third or 40
- 10 percent, correct, sir?
- 11 A I'm saying as a group, but yes.
- 12 Q Okay.
- 13 MR. WERDER: Yours is the red lines, correct?
- 14 THE WITNESS: Correct.
- 15 BY MR. WERDER:
- 16 Q All right. So if we focus on the Merrill April 10th,
- 17 2007 credit stress case, that has almost the lowest projected
- 18 EBITDA of all 36 sets of projections that you reviewed,
- 19 correct, sir?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q And you calculated the mid-cycle EBITDA for that
- 22 particular projection at 2788 million or 2.788 billion,
- correct, sir?
- 24 A Correct.
- 25 Q And there were only, by my count, three lower

- projections out of the 36 based on mid-cycle EBITDA, do you agree with that, sir?
- 3 A That sounds right.
- 4 Q Okay. The Merrill Lynch March 7 worse case; the Merrill
- 5 Lynch 3/29, March 29th worse case and the Merrill Lynch 4/1
- 6 worse case. Those are the only three sets of projections out
- of all 36 that are -- that project lower EBITDA than the
- 8 Merrill Lynch credit stress case that was subject of your
- 9 analysis, correct, sir?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q And the three lower cases, as we just pointed out, were
- 12 all labeled worst cases, correct?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q and they were all prepared even earlier in time than the
- 15 April 10th credit stress case, correct?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q Okay. Now of the 20 sets of projections that were
- 18 prepared on or after July 15th, the Citi downside case is the
- 19 lowest one on the chart, isn't it, sir?
- 20 A So you're saying of the ones, the subsequent cases?
- 21 Q Of all cases prepared on or after July 15th, the Citi
- Downside case that you used for your analysis is the lowest
- of the low, correct?
- 24 A Correct.
- Q And the next lowest is what Merrill Lynch prepared that

- 1 they labeled an extreme worst case, correct?
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q All right. And in terms of mid-cycle EBITDA, the mid-
- 4 cycle EBITDA that you calculated for the Citi case was 3526
- 5 million, correct, sir?
- A I'm sorry. I see a lower -- on the Citibank downside
- 7 case it's 3286.
- 8 Q Yes, you're right. And I was mis-reading my notes. The
- 9 3526 is the Citi downside case -- 3286 million is the Citi
- 10 downside case, correct?
- 11 A Correct.
- 12 Q And that's the lowest in terms of mid-cycle EBITDA of
- any set of projections prepared on or after July 15th,
- 14 correct?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 O Okay. And the next lowest case is the -- is the 3526 in
- 17 the Merrill Lynch extreme worse case analysis, correct?
- 18 A I'm sorry, I'm having trouble lining it up, but yes,
- 19 that looks right.
- Q Okay. Now -- and with respect to the July 10th Merrill
- 21 Lynch downside case, that one has the second lowest mid-cycle
- 22 EBITDA of any set of projections prepared in July or later,
- correct, sir?
- 24 A That looks right.
- Q Okay. And the -- I know you didn't report this, but

will you trust my match and that the average mid-cycle EBITDA 1 2 for the 36 sets of projections that you reviewed is 3864 million? 3 I'll take your word for it. 4 MR. WERDER: I'll label this for identification as 5 Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit 4. 6 (Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit 4 was marked for 7 8 identification) 9 BY MR. WERDER: The downside cases that you reviewed are all, in terms 10 11 of mid-cycle EBITDA, are hundreds of millions of dollars 12 below the average of all 36 cases, are they not, sir? 13 Yes. 14 The closest that any one of them comes is approximately 15 \$400 million, correct, sir? \$300 million. No, \$400 million. 16 I'm sorry. 17 You're comparing the Merrill Lynch 7/10/07? 18 Yes, comparing the Merrill Lynch 7/10/07 to the average 19 of all 36 cases, the gap is approximately \$400 million, 20 correct, sir? 21 Α Yes. 22 And comparing any of the sets to the average of the 20 sets of projections prepared on July 15th or later, there's 23 24 an enormous gap, is there not, sir?

It looks approximately 800 million.

- Q Okay. And comparing, assuming again that our math is right, which I think it is, since it's been checked about 100 times, the average of the seven downside cases prepared on July 15th or later is 3705 million, correct, sir?
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- Q And that is hundreds of millions or dollars higher than any of the three sets of projections that you used, correct, sir?
- 9 A That's 240 million.
- 10 Q Okay. You got the results that you got by picking the lowest of the low projections, did you not, sir?
- 12 A I don't agree with that.
- Q Well, you're not holding yourself out as a -- withdrawn.

 Do you know, sir, whether projections that matched the

 average EBITDA, the average mid-cycle EBITDA would pass your

 cash flow test? They would, wouldn't they?
 - A Result in a -- it looks like it would result in a positive number of all of the projections, not necessarily all the downsides.
- Q Okay. And positive number means passing your test as you presented it, correct?
- A The test is designed to test downside projections. It's not a test of the base case projections.
 - Q Now you're not holding yourself out as a petrochemical or refining expert, are you sir?

A No, I'm not.

- Q You're not an expert on preparing projections for petrochemical or refining companies, are you?
- A Not for petrochemical or refining companies. I have substantial expertise in financial projections.
- Q Okay. And you're not an expert in the kinds of
 synergies that can reasonably be expected to be achieved in a
 merger of petrochemical or refining companies, are you?
- 9 A No.
- Q Okay. And you learned as part of your work on the case that after the merger agreement was signed, Basell's management got together with Lyondell's management and worked on potential synergies, correct?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q And you're not offering any opinion, are you, as to
 16 whether any or all of the potential synergies that they
 17 identified were attainable?
- 18 A I believe that I am.
- 20 You're -- you're offering opinions with respect to the projections as a whole, not with respect to line by line analysis of the synergy component of those projections, correct, sir?
- 23 A Correct.
- Q So you're not offering -- you haven't looked at the line items of the synergies that were identified and formed

- opinions on which ones of those you believe were reasonably
- attainable and which ones weren't, did you?
- 3 A No, I did not.
- Q Okay. You looked at the projections as a whole in which the synergies were included and you've offered some opinions
- 6 with respect to that, correct?
- 7 A Correct.
- 8 Q Now, you've relied on CMAI's litigation report to inform
- 9 your opinions about LBI's management projections, have you
- 10 not?
- 11 A In part, correct.
- 12 Q And the industry views of CMAI that you relied on were
- the ones that they set forth in their 2009 litigation report,
- 14 correct?
- 15 A In part, yes.
- 16 Q You didn't go back and compare what CMAI said in it's
- 17 2009 litigation report to what CMAI was saying in 2007, did
- 18 you, sir?
- 19 A I did. I did to that. I did to that.
- 20 Q You did do that?
- 21 A I'm sorry, that's incorrect.
- 22 Q Okay.
- MR. WERDER: December deposition.
- BY MR. WERDER:
- 25 Q I'm going to direct your attention, sir, to 147 and 148

- of your December 2009.
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q And you're asked a question starting at line 19 on page
- 4 37 (sic):
- 5 "Q I'm just asking about the synergies."
- 6 Answer:
- 7 "And I believe with respect I haven't formed an opinion
- 8 with respect to each specific component of the projections.
- 9 I've looked at the projections as a whole and have formed my
- opinion with respect to those projections."
- 11 Correct? That was your testimony, correct, sir?
- 12 A Yes.
- Q Okay. And in terms of your contention that the downside
- and credit stress cases that you used and reasonably
- considered to be base cases rather than downside cases, you
- 16 relied on CMAI, correct?
- 17 A That is correct.
- 18 Q Let's talk about the April 10, 2007 credit stress case.
- 19 Merrill -- did you review the testimony of Gunter Frankenberg
- of Merrill Lynch?
- 21 A It's been some time, but yes.
- 22 Q All right. And Mr. Frankenberg testified that the
- credit stress test case was an extreme downside case,
- correct, sir?
- 25 A I believe that's correct.

- And he was one of the bankers who was involved in 1 Q 2 preparing those projections, wasn't he, sir? 3 Α Yes. And he also testified that he didn't think that that was Q 4 5 a realistic case, didn't he, sir? I don't recall. 6 MR. WERDER: Let's take a look if we could. Let's 7 just -- can we pop up the screen, Jason, Mr. Frankenberg's 8 9 2009 declaration, paragraph 43. BY MR. WERDER: 10 And he has testified that Chemicals Group at Merrill 11 12 Lynch almost never runs extreme downside cases at site levels 13 and he did not believe that this scenario was realistic. 14 That was his testimony, correct, sir? 15 Α I see that, yes. 16 And he also testified that, as one of the people who 17 prepared the case, that he didn't think it was reasonable or 18 foreseeable, correct, sir? 19 I'm sorry. What portion of the testimony --20 The portion of the case that is highlighted for us. Q "We do not believe that's the worst case scenario --" 21 22 Oh, I see, thank you. Α "We did not believe that a credit stress test case was 23
 - reasonable or foreseeable."
- 25 Do you see that?

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q And in fact he testified, if we go to paragraph 41, that
- 3 they didn't view it as remotely likely, correct, sir?
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q And Mr. Melvani from Merrill Lynch offered similar
- 6 testimony concerning the credit stress case, am I right?
- 7 A That may be right, I don't recall specifically his
- 8 testimony.
- 9 Q Okay, did you --
- 10 THE COURT: Did you review their testimony?
- 11 THE WITNESS: I do. I did, some of these it's been
- 12 some time though.
- 13 THE COURT: I understand.
- MR. WERDER: We won't put that up, we'll just show
- Mr. Melvani's testimony later in the case.
- 16 BY MR. WERDER:
- 17 Q You also used the July 10th Merrill Lynch downside case,
- 18 correct?
- 19 A Yes.
- 20 Q And when you used that case, you knew that it was
- 21 prepared prior to the time that Merrill Lynch had access to
- Lyondell's internal projections, correct, sir?
- 23 A Yes.
- 24 Q And you knew that five days after they prepared that
- case, Merrill Lynch presented revised management, base and

- downside cases to Access and Basell that took advantage of or 1 2 considered the information about Lyondell that had been received in the interim, correct, sir? 3 Α Yes. 4 5 Q And you didn't use in your analysis Merrill Lynch's
 - updated base case, did you base case, did you, sir?
 - I did not. I used the Citi case at that point in time.
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- The Citi downside. That would reflect the updated 9 Α 10 information.
 - You didn't use -- we'll talk about the Citi downside case in a moment, but you didn't use the July 15th Merrill Lynch downside case, did you, sir?
- 14 Α No.
- 15 Q And that case would pass your cash flow adequacy test, 16 wouldn't it, sir?
- 17 I'm sorry, I can't tell without running the case.
 - Okay. Very good. Maybe we'll look at it a little bit later. But let me just ask you a couple of questions about both the July 10th and the July 15th Merrill Lynch cases.

And one of those questions is that neither of those sets of projections included the full projected synergies that management expected to attain from this merger after doing the work that we previously discussed in the fall of 2007, correct, sir?

- A I believe that's correct.
- 2 Q Both of those Merrill cases used a \$200 million a year
- 3 assumption for synergies, which was the assumption that
- 4 Merrill was using in the July time frame, correct, sir?
- 5 A I believe that's correct, but it also doesn't reflect
- 6 the implementation costs either.
- 7 Q Yeah. So 200 million a year over five years is a
- 8 billion total, correct, sir?
- 9 A That's correct, without the implementation costs.
- 10 Q Right. And then when the final estimates were done,
- 11 after the work that Lyondell and Basell did together, they
- projected 45 million for 2008, 300 million for 2009 and 420
- million for each of 2010 through 2012, correct?
- 14 THE COURT: That's for synergies?
- MR. WERDER: Yes, Your Honor.
- 16 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry, say the last three numbers
- 17 again.

- 18 BY MR. WERDER:
- 19 Q Yes. 420 million for each of 2010, '11 and '12.
- 20 A That sounds right.
- 21 Q And the 45 million and the 300 million reflect, in 2008
- and 2009, reflected implementation costs in 2008 and a build
- up to the full synergies in 2009, correct, sir?
- 24 A I believe the full synergies in 2010.
- Q Right. And it was short of the full synergies by 120

- million in 2009, because they assumed they wouldn't get to
- 2 the full number until 2010, right?
- 3 A Correct.
- Q Okay. Now let's discuss the July 15th Citi downside case. That case was presented in Citi's credit committee approval memo on July 15th, correct?
- 7 A Yes.
- Q And it was one of four sets of projections included in that memorandum, wasn't it, sir?
- 10 A I don't recall the number of sets, but I'll accept your
 11 representation on that.
- Q Okay. And it projected by far the lowest EBITDA of any of the four sets of projections in Citi's memo, correct?
- 14 A Correct
- 15 Q And it wouldn't surprise you to learn, would it, that
 16 the next lowest projection in that memorandum projected more
 17 than 5 billion more of additional EBITDA over the period 2008
 18 through 2012, correct?
- 19 A Yeah, the difference being the downside versus a base 20 case, yes.
- Q All right. But it wouldn't surprise you that that gap
 was five billion over the period 2008 to 2012, would it, sir?
- 23 A No.
- Q All right. And if your cash flow test was done on any of the other three cases, you'd show a positive number,

- wouldn't you, sir?
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q All right. Now Citi witness Rob Jeffries testified
- 4 concerning Citi's projections, did he not?
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q And you reviewed his testimony, didn't you?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q And he was involved in preparing the projections, wasn't
- 9 he?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q And he testified that the base case reflected Citi's own
- view based on its due diligence and knowledge of the industry
- as to the most accurate forecast of the company's future
- 14 performance, didn't he, sir?
- 15 A I'm sorry, could you repeat that?
- 16 MR. WERDER: Can we have Mr. Jeffries' declaration?
- 17 This is Mr. Jeffries December 2009 declaration, paragraph 23.
- 18 BY MR. WERDER:
- 19 Q And he testified that the base case reflected Citi's own
- 20 view, based on its due diligence and knowledge of the
- 21 industry as to the most accurate forecast of the company's
- future performance, correct, sir?
- 23 A Yes.
- 24 Q And if we look at paragraph 24, he described the
- downside case as a stress test developed by Citi to determine

how the merged company would perform under severe economic 1 2 conditions, including conditions that would result in breakage of financial covenants. That was his testimony, 3 correct, sir? 4 5 Α Yes. And paragraph 24, he also testified that the downside 6 7 case was not designed to be a realistic assessment of conditions LBI was likely to face, didn't he, sir? 8 Α Yes. 9 And he testified that in fact the stress conditions 10 11 reflected in the downside case were considered highly 12 unlikely to occur, correct? 13 Α Yes. You didn't run --14 15 MR. WERDER: We can take that down, Jason. 16 BY MR. WERDER: 17 You didn't run any of your tests of LBI's financial 18 condition on any sets of projections, any of the company's 19 projections developed after July 15th, correct, sir? 20 (No verbal response) 21 THE COURT: I'm sorry, couldn't hear you. 22 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. Correct. 23 BY MR. WERDER: 24 And there were in fact later projections, weren't there, 25 sir?

- A There was a revision of the management case and projections that was minor and then there were some projections, I think as you see on the list that you have here. We focused on the management projections as of July 15th. Our revisions afterwards were really into the synergies.
- Q And you reviewed -- among the documents that you
 reviewed as part of your work on this case was a November
 2007 private supplement for the ABL facility, correct, sir?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q And that was a document that was provided by the five 12 arranging banks to potential investors, correct?
- 13 A Correct.
- Q And you in fact relied on that for certain aspects of your 2009 report, correct?
- 16 A Yes.
- 2 And that set of projections included the synergy
 18 estimates of 45 million for 2008, 300 million for '09 and 420
 19 for 2010 to '12, correct, sir?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q That was the estimate that the management teams had
 22 developed once they got to know each other and once they sat
 23 down and worked together, correct?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q You didn't run any of your tests of the projections on

either the cases reported in the private supplement or on any downside case developed off of those projections, did you, sir?

A That's correct.

Q So to the extent that the November private supplement reflects the final management projections, there wasn't any downside case that you had available to you or that you developed on your own or that somebody else on your team developed that reflected a downside case off the final management case, correct, sir?

A Correct, but with an explanation, if I could. May I, Your Honor?

Q Sure.

THE COURT: Go ahead.

THE WITNESS: It's just the only changes, subsequent to the original management case, related to the synergies and I was endeavoring to test downside cases and synergies are notoriously suspect in terms of deals that are put together, so a downside you would expect that the synergies would be suspect.

There were no other changes other than to 2007, which was not part of the ultimate testing. The testing started in 2008, so the projections subsequent to that date, lower 2007 and added the synergies and those were the changes.

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Q Well, maybe we'll look at those projections in a little bit more detail.

THE COURT: You said the synergies are --

THE WITNESS: Suspect.

THE COURT: -- suspect?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

THE COURT: Did you include synergies at a lower level than lower amounts than the company projected or did you take them out?

THE WITNESS: We took them out.

THE COURT: So your assumption was no synergies whatsoever?

THE WITNESS: In a downside scenario, the assumption is that companies that are put together over the size many times do not realize synergies. Realize increased cost, there's only 45 million in the first year that was budget.

THE COURT: But the 400 million, so--

THE WITNESS: Well, it's 45 in the first year, because it's net of implementation costs. Then it ramped up to 100 million and then 400 after that.

THE COURT: As your next question.

BY MR. WERDER:

Q Well, the banks included some synergies in their

- 1 downside cases, did they not, sir?
- 2 A I'd have to look at each of the downside cases.
- 3 Q All right. And I think you testified a few moments ago
- 4 that you're not an expert in synergies in the petrochemical
- 5 and refining industry, are you, sir?
- 6 A No, I'm not.
- 7 Q And you didn't look at the line items that management
- 8 was projecting that it could obtain through synergies, you
- 9 just threw them out based on what you just described to His
- 10 Honor?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q Now each of the banks had credit approval processes, did
- 13 they not?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q And each of those banks had their own credit approval
- 16 process, didn't they sir?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q And you've reviewed the documentation that relates to
- 19 the credit approval process and you've also reviewed
- 20 testimony from the bank witnesses describing that process,
- 21 haven't you, sir?
- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q And one of the things that the process included was
- senior bank executives who weren't involved in the deal,
- 25 correct?

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q And each of these banks was well versed in the industry,
- 3 wasn't it, sir?
- 4 A The banks had industry people within their respective
- 5 groups.
- 6 Q Okay. And each of the banks was well aware of economic
- 7 conditions and expectations, correct?
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 Q And each of the banks was well aware and very familiar
- with the cyclicality of the petrochemical and refining
- industries, weren't they, sir?
- 12 A Yes. Yes.
- 13 Q Thank you. Sorry, if I didn't hear you. And each, I
- think you've already testified to this, but each bank had
- access to the views of its own industry consultants, correct?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q And they had access to outside experts and consultants
- as well, correct?
- 19 A Yes.
- 20 Q And each of those banks had the opportunity to consider
- 21 management's projections and form views about what they felt
- about them, didn't they, sir?
- 23 A Yes.
- 24 Q And each of those banks also had the opportunity to
- develop their own base cases that accepted, to more or less

degree at their choosing, what they wanted to accept of management's management case, correct?

A Yes.

- Q None of the banks reported in 2007, did they, sir, that they felt that management's projections were inconsistent with the known cyclicality or volatility of the refining and petrochemical industries, correct?
 - A I believe throughout there were commentary within those memos as to concerns with respect to the cycle was at the peak and where the company was, but then the memos also offered some counterbalancing factors as well. So these memos had risk factors, then they also had counterbalancing factors in the bank's consideration.
 - Q Understood, sir, but the specific question was none of the banks reported in 2007 that they had concluded, based on their knowledge of cyclicality and volatility, etcetera that they felt that management's projections were inconsistent with the known cyclicality or volatility of the industries, correct?
- A Correct.
 - Q And we mentioned CMAI. And you believe that CMAI is an authoritative source that the company should have considered in 2007, do you not, sir?
- A Yes. And I think they had CMAI do some work as we discussed.

- 1 Q And CMAI in fact prepared a report for the banks in
- November of 2007, correct?
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q And you've reviewed that report, have you not?
- 5 A I have.
- Q And that report did not state that the projections were
- 7 unreasonable, did they, sir?
- 8 A That's correct.
- 9 Q And that report did not state that the company's
- 10 projections were somehow inconsistent with the known
- 11 cyclicality or volatility of the refining and petrochemical
- 12 industries, correct?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q Basell and Lyondell also both had professional staffs
- that were very experienced in preparing projections for their
- 16 business, correct, sir?
- 17 A I believe that's the case.
- 18 Q All right. And the Citi credit memo that you reviewed
- 19 concerning Basell reported, among other things, that Basell
- 20 had a very good track record for meeting its projections, did
- 21 it not, sir?
- 22 A I don't recall that specific statement. If you want to
- 23 show it to me.
- Q Yeah, let's take a look if you would at Exhibit DX-130,
- 25 which is your book or we'll show it.

177 MR. WERDER: Jason, show it up on the screen if you 1 2 would. BY MR. WERDER: 3 And we're looking at page 40 of the memo. Belgian is 4 5 the code name that was used for Basell, correct, sir? Α Correct. 6 And Citi's evaluation of Basell said Basell has 7 8 consistently delivered on its financial plans from the time of its acquisition by Access, correct? 9 10 Α Yes. And they characterize in A of that discussion Basell's 11 12 management projections, conservative and delivering, correct, 13 sir? 14 Α Yes. 15 Q Now in deposition I asked you about Basell's projections 16 on a standalone basis -- well, withdrawn. You didn't 17 investigate, did you, sir, sufficiently to opine in 2009 that 18 Basell's projections, separate and apart from Lyondell's 19 projections, were unreasonable, correct? 20 Correct. Α And your opinions in 2009, which are still your opinions 21 22 today, are based on the projections as a whole as opposed to some conclusion that Basell's projections were unreasonable, 23 24 correct?

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Correct.

- 1 Q Now in part of your -- let me direct your attention if I
- 2 could to page 49 and 50 of your first 2009 report. Are you
- 3 with me, sir?
- 4 A I'm getting there.
- 5 Q Okay.
- 6 A Yes.
- 7 Q And one of the things that you're discussing under
- 8 heading two there is failure to properly consider the
- 9 volatile nature of in stock costs?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q And then if we go over -- well, if you start at the
- bottom of the page there, you refer to a November 2006
- presentation to the supervisory board. Are you with me?
- 14 A Yes.
- Q Okay. And you reviewed that November 2006 presentation,
- 16 did you not?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q And you cited in your report certain things that --
- 19 certain conclusions that you drew from it including you
- 20 state: "Basell quantified the impact of 33 percent increase
- in oil prices." Correct?
- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q In fact the document on which you rely says the impact
- is up to that level, correct, sir?
- 25 A That could be, yeah.

- 1 Q Okay. And the document --
- 2 MR. WERDER: Let's take a look at JX-04, Jason.
- 3 Thank you.
- 4 BY MR. WERDER:
- 5 Q This is the Basell business plan that you're citing at
- 6 pages 49 and 50 of your report, correct, sir?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q Okay. And if we go to page 14, that's the place in the
- 9 document from which you drew the conclusions, right?
- 10 A I believe that's right.
- 11 Q And this is under a discussion of plan sensitivity, is
- 12 it not?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q And it indicates that the impact is up to the level that
- 15 you cite, correct, sir?
- 16 A Correct.
- 17 Q And it also indicates if we move up on the page to the
- 18 discussion of the sensitivities, that these sensitivities do
- 19 not take into account any additional measures to be taken in
- an adverse business scenario, correct, sir?
- 21 A Yes.
- 22 \ \ Q \ \ Now as far as you're aware no Basell witness involved in
- 23 the preparation of this document has testified in this case
- or will testify, correct, sir?
- 25 A I don't know.

Okay. Basell's management, if we go to page 15, 1 Q 2 Basell's management's conclusion from the sensitivities that you cited was that the analysis shows that oil and commodity 3 prices have only limited affect on Basell's projected 4 5 results, whilst polymer demands and spreads are major key determining factors with major impact on Basell's 6 7 profitability, correct? 8 Α Yes. 9 Now you also refer, a little bit later on page 50, to a 10 W shaped volatility, correct? 11 Correct. Α 12 And you drew that from -- from another Basell document, 13 correct? 14 Α Yes. 15 Q The document from which you drew that citation doesn't 16 indicate, does it, sir, the size of the oil price movements 17 that were assumed in that sensitivity case, correct? 18 Α I don't recall. 19 MR. WERDER: Let's take a look, if we could, Jason, 20 at PX-22. BY MR. WERDER: 21

This is the Basell business plan that you're citing for

the W shaped sensitivity on page 50 of your report, correct,

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- Q And if we go to page 29, that's the stress testing of
 the business plan that you're referring to and from which you
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- Q And there isn't any indication there of the size of the movements in either direction that are being studied under that sensitivity case, correct, sir?
 - A Correct.
 - Q And you're not aware of any Basell witness involved in preparing this document who has testified concerning what sorts of assumptions may have gone into that case, correct, sir?
- A Not as I sit here, no.
- MR. WERDER: Your Honor, whatever the Court's pleasure is with respect to breaking is fine with me. I'm happy to keep going.
- THE COURT: Let's go to 4:00.
- 18 BY MR. WERDER:
 - Q One of your criticisms, Mr. Tuliano, of management's projections is that management didn't reduce its projections for 2008 to 2011, based on Lyondell's performance after the merger agreement was signed, correct, sir?
- 23 A Yes.
- Q And management's reasons for not doing that were set
 forth in various documents on which -- which you reviewed and

- which you cited in your report, correct, sir?
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q And management set forth a number of reasons, as did the
- banks, for not reducing the 2008 through 2011 projections,
- 5 based upon the short term under performance of Lyondell,
- 6 correct?
- 7 A Based on the under performance of Lyondell for the
- 8 second half of 2007.
- 9 Q And management and the banks -- you've reviewed plenty
- of documents, haven't you, sir, where both management and the
- 11 banks are explaining why it is that they didn't feel it was
- necessary to alter the 2008 to 2011 projections, based on
- what they were observing of Lyondell in the second and third
- quarters of 2007, correct?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q And CMAI was in fact projecting in the fall of 2007 that
- 17 2008 was going to be a better year, margin wise for the
- industry, than 2007, correct, sir?
- 19 A I do not know what CMAI was projecting at that point.
- 20 Q Let me ask you to take a look at -- Defendant's Exhibit
- 21 | 557. You can either look at it there or we'll put it up on
- 22 the screen.
- 23 A Yes. I have it.
- 24 Q Thank you. So in the fall of 2007, CMAI was in fact
- 25 recognizing that the industry had encountered some head winds

in 2007, but predicting that 2008 was going to be a better year, correct, sir?

A Yes.

Q And this is the type of information from industry experts that you would expect a company or companies like Lyondell and Basell to be taking into consideration in deciding what to do with respect to their projections for 2008, correct, sir?

A Yes.

Now your evaluation of management's projections contains a lot of discussion about a potential future trough in the industry, correct?

A Yes.

Q And you're not contending, are you, sir, that Basell and Lyondell didn't have informed views on that topic?

A I'm contending that the views that they had on that topic resulted in management projections that do not reflect a peak to trough cyclicality that had been experienced historically. It's a relatively flat peak to trough that's in the management projections. The decline is approximately nine percent for the peak to the trough, whereas in prior troughs that the decline has been as much as 40 to 45 percent from peak to trough.

So it was a very mild peak to trough projection within the management case projections. The management case

projections also had 2008 as the peak, whereas the other cases had 2007 as the peak. And that became much more pronounced.

THE COURT: When you say the other case, what do you mean?

THE WITNESS: The other cases that were evaluated at the time by the banks and others. And when the company under performed in 2007, it really accentuated that peak, effectively bringing 2007 down and making quite a slope into 2008 and then a gradual decline after that.

So that's my view with respect to the peak to trough.

BY MR. WERDER:

- Q Well, I know you have a different view or you've expressed a different view that the experts at Basell and Lyondell had, but are you contending, sir, was my question that the view that they had was not an informed view, even though it's a different view than you're currently opining to?
- A I'm sorry, I'm having trouble answering the question.

 They certain had access --
- Q Withdrawn, withdrawn. The views that management had with respect to potential future trough conditions were reported in, among other places, the November 2007 private supplement that you cite and rely on, correct?

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q And as reported there, management expected trough
- 3 conditions for certain petrochemical products in 2010 and
- 4 2011, correct?
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q And as reported there, they expected that other products
- 7 In their portfolio, particularly products in the propylene
- 8 oxide chain, would continue to produce strong results because
- 9 of favorable supply and demand conditions, correct, sir?
- 10 A I believe that's right.
- 11 Q That was management's analysis of management's product
- 12 portfolio, correct?
- 13 A Those were the views that were expressed in the
- 14 memorandum.
- Q Okay. And as set forth in that document, they didn't
- 16 expect the U.S. refining trough through 2011 because of
- 17 limited refining capacity in the United States and because of
- 18 the huge capital expense and long lead time to build new
- 19 refineries, correct, sir?
- 20 A That may be the case, I don't recall a specific quote
- 21 from a sym, but that may be the case.
- 22 Okay. That may be the case. And the banks all had
- 23 their own experts as well that were able to evaluate issues
- 24 concerning future trough conditions, correct?
- 25 A Yes.

- Q And the banks, based upon the materials that you've reviewed, were not expecting or anticipating a quick petrochemicals trough, were they, sir?
- A I'd have to go back to the individual bank memos and as

 I sit here, I don't recall which banks used outside experts

 or had their own internal credit people and whether those

 individual credit people were their petrochemical or refining

 individuals or were people just from the credit side of the

 house. So there's a very a wide range of memos and people

 working on this at the time.
 - Q And does it refresh your recollection if I state that for example Citibank, based on CMAI, was not projecting a petrochemicals trough until 2011?
 - A Oh, that -- that sounds right.
 - Q Okay. Let's take a look at figure seven in your 2009 report.
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- Q And one of the points that I think you made to His Honor
 a few moments ago was that the management cases didn't
 reflect, in your view, enough peak to trough cyclicality
 impact, correct, sir?
 - A Correct.
- Q And that's the point that you're trying to make with your figure seven, correct?
- 25 A Well, there are two points. I think it's in the title.

The LBO was based on the most optimistic base case. I'm sorry. The LBO was based on the most optimistic base case projections. So it's showing those management cases at the very to. And it reflected minimal peak to trough.

- Q Right. And you have made the point, have you not that the projections that the -- that were being made for this combined company for the anticipated future trough were higher than the actual results of the two companies operating separately in 2003, correct?
- A Well, this shows historical EBITDA numbers and it compares to the management case projections.
- Q And one of the points that you had made in criticizing the management case projections is that in your view they have a higher projected trough EBITDA than the two companies achieved as separate companies when they were operating as separate companies, correct?

And in fact that's exactly the point you made at the bottom of page 44 of your November 2009 report, correct?

A It was a comparison.

Q Right. So you're basically saying if we look at these two companies operating separately in 2003, trough conditions, they actually had, as separate companies, significantly lower trough EBITDA than the management projections were projecting for 2011 and that is somehow problematic in your view, correct, sir?

A It's an observation recognizing they were different companies at that time, they had different sets of assets. It was looking at the trough conditions at that time and presenting the data for what it is and making the observation. I think my concern primarily related to the slope of the management projections as opposed to that particular observation.

THE COURT: All right. Let's take our 15 minute recess.

MR. WERDER: Okay, Your Honor. Thank you. (Recess taken 04:01 to 04:20)

THE COURT: Please be seated. Mr. Tuliano, you're still under oath. Mr. Werder.

MR. WERDER: Thank you, Your Honor.

BY MR. WERDER:

Q Mr. Tuliano, before the break we were talking about the anticipated future trough conditions and when -- and in particular we were talking about the point that you had made on page 44 of your 2009, November 2009 report about comparing the 2003 trough conditions to what management was projecting for 2011.

And when you made that point, were you aware, sir, that CMAI's Mr. Agawall (phonetic) advised in November 2007 that CMAI expected the anticipated 2011 trough to be shallower than the previous trough?

- A I believe that was in the CMAI report.
- 2 Q So you were aware of that?
- 3 A Yes.

- Q Okay. And the November 2007 offering document that you relied on specifically addressed the issue of bridging EBITDA
- 6 trough to trough, correct, sir?
- 7 A Yes.
- Q And if we take a look at Exhibit DX-219, this is the
 private supplement, the November 2007 private supplement, and
 you relied on this document for various things, did you not,
 sir?
- 12 A Yes.
- 2 And if we look at page 20 of the document, that presents
 a bridge that takes the 2001 to 2003 trough and explains why
 it is that management is expecting that the company -- the
 combined company is going to perform much better in 2011 than
 the two separate companies performed in 2001 through 2003,
 correct?
 - A Yes.

- Q And you understood that this presentation was a -- when you did your work and you offered your opinions, you understood that this presentation was a bridge between 2001/2003 and the trough that occurred there and the anticipated 2011 trough, correct, sir?
- 25 A Yes.

- Q And when you were asked in deposition in 2009, you had not identified any of these bridge points that you rejected, correct, sir?
 - A I believe that's right.
- 5 THE COURT: You say you believe that's right?
- THE WITNESS: Yeah, I didn't analyze each of these at that point.
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- 9 Q Okay. So you're not offering any opinion that the
 10 manner in which management bridged and explained the bridge
 11 from the 2001/2003 trough to the anticipated 2011 trough was
 12 incorrect, am I right, sir?
- 13 A Yes.
- Q Let's take a look -- I want to turn the focus of the
 discussion for a few minutes to your discussion of Lyondell's
 projections. And I want to direct your attention to figure
 nine in your November 2009 report, sir.
 - A Yes.

- THE COURT: On page 49?
- 20 MR. WERDER: On page 49, Your Honor, yes.
- BY MR. WERDER:
- Q And this chart relates to Lyondell's EBITDA projections, correct, sir?
- 24 A Yes.
- Q And in particular what you're attempting to do is to

- compare various Lyondell management projections to what you call Wall Street consensus, correct?

 A Yes.

 And you must think that's a probative comparison or you
 - Q And you must think that's a probative comparison or you wouldn't have made it, correct, sir?
 - A Correct.

- Q And your point, I take it, is that management's projections, particularly the July case, were higher than the -- what you call the Wall Street consensus, am I right?
- A Yes, that and the long range plan, correct
- Q Right. So both -- it appears from this -- am I reading this correctly that you are -- the information that you're providing is showing that both Lyondell's December 2006 long range plan and the July 2007 case that they provided to Access, Basell and the banks, were both above what you say is the Wall Street consensus?
 - A I think it's -- the analysis was presented, or the chart was presented, to show the July '07 management case as compared to the Wall Street consensus and also the pattern in the long range plan. So it's a look back at the long range plan and also look at the Wall Street consensus.
 - Now, sir, did you compare the projections for Lyondell in any of the three downside cases that you used for your analysis to what you call the Wall Street consensus?
- 25 A I may have, I don't -- I don't recall.

1 MR. WERDER: Excuse me, Your Honor.

THE COURT: That's okay.

MR. WERDER: I marked this for identification as

Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit 5, I believe.

(Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit 5 was marked for identification)

BY MR. WERDER:

Q And what we've done here, sir, is to take your Wall Street consensus numbers and plot them next Merrill Lynch credit stress case, the two Merrill Lynch July 10 cases and the Citi downside case that you used. And it's true, is it not, sir, that the downside cases that you used as base cases are all significantly lower than what you report at the Wall Street consensus?

A I did not use the downside cases as base cases, I used them as downside cases.

Q Well, whatever -- fine. The downside cases that you used for purposes of your analysis are all billions of dollars below, in terms of projected EBITDA over the projection period, than what you call the Wall Street consensus, correct, sir?

- A I think that's incorrect.
- 24 A Yes.
- Q Well, certainly it's in the true of the case of the

- 1 Merrill Lynch April 10th credit case test, is it not, sir?
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q And it's certainly true in the case of the Citi downside
- 4 case as well, is it not, sir? Let me make it a little bit
- 5 easier. I've got a chart that totals them all up.
- 6 A That would be helpful.
- 7 Q Sorry about that. That's what I fumbling around for.
- 8 MR. WERDER: I'll mark this for identification as 9 Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit 6.
 - (Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit 6 was marked for identification)
- 12 BY MR. WERDER:

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- Q So the -- assuming my math is right, the Merrill Lynch credit stress case is more than \$4 billion, in terms of its projections for Lyondell, more than \$4 billion short of the Wall Street consensus projection for Lyondell over the period 2007 to 2011, correct, sir?
 - A That's what the chart shows. The number 8.2 looks or 8.3 looks low to me. I would need to go back and check that, the numbers you have for the Merrill Lynch case.
- Q Okay.
- 22 A They do not look correct.
- Q All right. And about the numbers for the Merrill Lynch downside case and the Citi case, sir? Assuming my math is right, those are billions of dollars short over the period

- 1 2007 through 2011 of the Wall Street consensus, correct, sir?
- 2 A On one case, the Merrill Lynch downside, it's 1.3
- 3 billion, assuming your math is right. And the Citi case the
- 4 downside is approximately 3 billion, again assuming the math
- is correct. And that's relationship I would have expected,
- 6 given that these are downside cases.
- 7 Q Okay. And the Merrill Lynch base case from July 10th is
- 8 much closer to the Wall Street consensus than any of the
- 9 cases that you used for purposes of your testing, correct,
- 10 sir?
- 11 A That's what this indicates.
- 12 Q All right. That Merrill Lynch base case would pass your
- cash flow adequacy test, would it not, sir?
- 14 A There's something going on with these numbers. These
- numbers don't look right to me. I'm sorry.
- 16 Q Okay. We'll check them out overnight perhaps. One of
- 17 the things that you rely upon for purposes of your opinion
- 18 that management's projections were overly optimistic and
- 19 unreasonable is a business outlook prepared by LBI in 2009,
- 20 correct, sir?
- 21 A It may have been a document I looked at as a
- 22 reasonableness check, but I don't recall as a --
- Q Well, in your 2009 rebuttal report --
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q -- at Exhibit 1, you performed a comparison or you

illustrated a comparison of the downside cases and 1 2 management's projections and what you call LBI August '09 five year business outlook, correct, sir? 3 That was done as a reasonableness check, it's 4 5 not --And that August 2000 -- withdrawn. That business plan 6 7 was prepared in August 2009, two years after the July management projections were prepared, correct, sir? 8 9 Correct. Α 10 And it was prepared in the midst of the financial 11 crisis, was it not, sir? 12 Α Yes. 13 And it was prepared in the midst of the great recession, was it not, sir? 14 15 Α Yes. 16 It was prepared while the company was in bankruptcy for 17 purposes of developing a bankruptcy exit plan, wasn't it, 18 sir? 19 Yes. 20 You can put that aside. I want to ask you a couple more 21 questions about your cash flow adequacy test. And if we look 22 at your main November 2009 report -- withdrawn. 23 You're -- let's look at page 57 of your November 2009

report. And that presents the results of your cash flow

adequacy tests, correct?

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A Correct.

- 2 Q And the purpose for which you're presenting these, to
- 3 use your words, "is as tests of the company's ability to
- 4 withstand reasonably foreseeable downside stresses and
- 5 contingencies by measuring its net cash flows under various
- 6 scenarios", correct, sir? Don't look on that page for it, I
- 7 was quoting from your deposition, I'm sorry.
- 8 A Yes. Yes. Correct.
- 9 Q So that was -- what these purport to be, and you are
- 10 explaining them and putting them forward as the evidence of
- 11 your opinions, is tests of the ability of the company to
- weather reasonably foreseeable downside stresses and
- contingencies, correct, sir?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q And when you described them in your report, the
- 16 scenarios that you had run, you characterized them on page 54
- 17 as assessments of possible performance, correct, sir?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q And you use your words very carefully when you write
- your reports, don't you, sir?
- 21 A Yes.
- 22 Q And you're aware -- you were aware, at the time you
- wrote the report, that witnesses from every bank that had
- 24 prepared every one of the projections that you relied on said
- 25 that they did not view those as reasonably foreseeable

scenarios, correct, sir?

A I don't recall witnesses from every bank using those words. If you want to represent that to me, that's fine, these were considered by the banks at the time. And given the range between these and the base projections, they represented contemporaneous downsides that were considered. Each projection has a set of assumptions associated with it that I believe indicate that the banks considered the assumptions under those projections.

And my experience in dealing with and I've been an expert for bank groups and individual lenders on many cases, is that they carefully consider these types of assumptions and do not lend assumptions that they do not believe are reasonably foreseeable.

- Q Well, you referenced all the banks. The three cases that you ran came from -- two of them from Merrill and one from Citi, correct?
- A Correct. I evaluated the other ones as well, but the ones that I ran, that's correct.
- Q Understood. But for the three cases that you ran, you saw Mr. Melvani's testimony, Mr. Frangenberg's testimony, Mr. Guthrie's (phonetic) testimony. All of those people who were involved in preparing these projections said that they don't they weren't intended to represent reasonably foreseeable scenarios, didn't they, sir?

- That may be the testimony. I think the commentary 1 Α 2 underlying the projections tells a different story.
- Okay. Let's turn to table five on page 57, if we could 3 for a moment. 4
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- And table five is the results of the Citi downside --6 7 your analysis of the Citi case, correct?
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- 11 That is correct. Α
- 12 And when you looked at the Citi memo from which you drew 13 this, did you observe that Citi applied the same Kepex 14 numbers for all of its cases?
 - Α I don't recall. That very well could be the case.
 - And did you go back to the last trough period in 2001 to 2003 to make some assessment of what companies like Basell and Lyondell and their peer group did with respect to Kepex in trough situations?
 - I have not. Α
- Q Okay. It wouldn't be surprising, would it, sir, that in 22 trough conditions people reduce their Kepex, particularly to the extent that they have discretionary Kepex in their Kepex 23 expenditure plans, correct, sir?
- 25 Kepex is typically something that they will reduce, that

- is correct. In the context to a maintenance level, subject to, as we talked about earlier, regulatory issues and things like safety issues.
 - Q And I was -- in terms of the synergy evaluation for the Citi downside case, can you explain what you did there?
 - A I'm sorry, I don't understand your question.
 - Q Well, what synergies, what anticipated --

MR. WERDER: I apologize for that, Your Honor.

BY MR. WERDER:

- Q What anticipated synergies are built in to this case?
- 11 A I would have to look at the original case to be able to
 12 tell you that.
 - Q You know that they would not have been the full synergies that management was expecting after the Lyondell and Basell teams got together and put their heads together to figure out the precise synergies that they were going to pursue, correct, sir? That estimate didn't exist at July 15th, right?
 - A I think -- that's correct, but your question implies a very detailed process to come up with those synergies and I think the documentary -- the documents indicate something different.
 - Q My question was actually different. Let me try it a slightly different way. Whatever synergies Citibank was using for purposes of this case would not have been the final

synergies that management was anticipating after the work that the Basell and Lyondell teams did together, correct?

A Yes.

Q In terms of management's projections, I know that you had your opinions about them, but you haven't reported anywhere in any of your reports any re-do that you did of management projections to haircut them by some percentage that you believe they should be haircutted by based on errors that you've identified, that is not in any of your reports, correct, sir?

A Correct.

Q And we can agree, can we not, that if you had used management's projections or any of the base cases that any of the banks formulated off of management's projections in your cash flow test, you would -- the numbers would be positive, correct?

A On an annual basis, I think that's likely correct.

Q And on a cumulative basis as well, correct?

A On a cumulative basis. I was thinking of the quarters in terms of how those projections played out over the quarters. Many of the flaws in the management projections related to the -- how the EBITDA and the cash flow was projected within the first quarter of the year and the omissions within that construct that resulted in the liquidity crisis.

- Q Well, whatever flaws you may have identified in management's projections, we can agree that they are set forth in your reports, correct?
 - A I believe that's the case. I obviously have done work since my reports and those observations that pertained to some of them.
 - Q Okay. I'm not asking you about anything that's not in your reports.
 - A I understand.

- Q That criticism that you just raised concerning quarterly issues is not in any report that you have submitted as your direct testimony, is it, sir?
- A It was a consideration, but I would have to -
 THE COURT: Can you answer that question yes or no?

THE WITNESS: I don't know.

BY MR. WERDER:

A Okay. All right. Your reports will not speak for themselves, but somebody can read them and form their own conclusions with respect to them.

And nowhere in your report do we find any opinion with respect to the percentage haircut that could be inflicted on management's case and still pass your test, correct, sir?

- A That's correct.
- Q Now in your 2011 reports you offered some opinions concerning LBI's financial condition in March 2008, correct?

- 1 A Correct.
- 2 Q And you relied in part on an April 2008 memorandum by
- 3 UBS, correct?
- 4 A Yes.
- Q And that memorandum had some projections that UBS had prepared apparently in or about April of 2008, correct?
- 7 A Those projections were based on management's re-issuance
 8 of projections that were done in the first quarter of 2008
 9 and UBS took those projections and put them in their document
 10 and then ran some analysis on those projections.
 - Q Well, is it your recollection, as you sit here right now, that the UBS memo just recited management's projections and didn't report a new UBS base case and a new UBS downside case?
- 15 A No.

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- 16 Q They did, right?
- 17 A Correct.
- 18 Q Okay. So in -- and you relied on that, right?
- 19 A Yes.
- Q Okay. And that memo by UBS was prepared four months
 after the December 2007 closing, correct?
- 22 A Yes.
- Q And it was prepared nine to 12 months after the downside case projections that you relied on for your opinions as of

December 20th of 2007, correct?

- 1 A I'm sorry, how many months?
- 2 Q Nine to 12 months later than April to July of 2007?
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q I think my math would be right on that.
- 5 A Yes.

- Q Okay. All right. And as of the time period when these new UBS projections were prepared, the business environment in the petrochemicals industry, was worse than it had been in
- 10 A I believe that's correct.

early to mid 2007, correct?

- 11 Q All right. And oil prices, among other industry

 12 metrics, by April of 2008 oil prices had risen significantly

 13 over where they were in early to mid 2007, correct?
- 14 A Yes.
- Q And if we take a look at -- let's take a look at Exhibit

 DX-311. This is the UBS memo that you relied on in your 2011

 reports, correct, sir?
- 18 A Yes.
- Q And at the time that it wrote this memo, UBS was well aware of projections concerning oil prices, correct, sir?
- 21 A Yes.
- Q And they were not anticipating oil prices going from
 wherever they were in April of 2008 to \$145 a barrel by July
 of '08, were they, sir?
- 25 A I don't recall within the context of the memo.

- 204 Let's take a look, if we good, at page four of the 1 Q 2 document. That's a little hard to read, I realize, but UBS was presenting a crude oil forecast based on CMAI information 3 and they certainly don't show it going to 145, since they 4 don't even have that on their graph, correct, sir? 5 That's correct. They do show \$130 a barrel in the 6 7 subsequent page on the -- in the exhibit. 8 And the projection that they have here is showing oil prices declining, does it not, sir? 9 I believe that's correct. 10 Α 11 And when UBS prepared this memo, they were well aware of 12 LBI's liquidity position, correct, sir? 13 Yes, I believe they understood the liquidity issues. 14 And in fact the memo was prepared to evaluate the Q 15 company's request for additional liquidity, correct? 16 Correct. Α 17 And there's nowhere in this memo, written in April of 18
 - 2008, where UBS says that there is a liquidity crisis, correct, sir?

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- A I would have to go through the memo. There is a number of commentaries in the bank memos around this time about the company being in a liquidity crisis.
- Q Well, the UBS conclusion, if we look at page eight, was that the fundamental credit story remains sound, correct, sir?

- A I'd characterize it as an observation. I don't know if it's a conclusion, but it's an observation.
- Q Okay. It's words that the UBS team wrote on the page of the memo that they drafted to seek approval from UBS'
 management for participating in the up sizing of the ABL
- 7 A Yes.

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facility, correct, sir?

- And they indicate, if we go a little bit further down in that paragraph, that they refer to a need to have close to a billion five of liquidity to buffer it from future oil and gas volatility and margin pressure, correct?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q Then if we go over to the next page, they indicate that
 14 the company should have approximately two billion of
 15 liquidity after the ABL extension, which is in excess of the
 16 1.5 billion needed to buffer oil and gas price volatility and
 17 margin pressure, correct, sir?
 - A Yes.
- 19 Q Now when you did your analysis in 2009, you did some 20 work using UBS' new downside case, correct?
- 21 A Correct.
- Q And you didn't test the assumptions in that case, you took the assumptions as they were presented by UBS, correct?
- 24 A Yes.
- Q And you were aware, when you did that, that UBS witness

Doug Lane had testified in detail about they prepare these 1 2 downside cases and the purpose for which they prepared -they were prepared. You were aware of that testimony when 3 you decided to use that case, correct, sir? 4 5 Α Correct. Objection, Your Honor. MR. POHL: 6 7 THE COURT: Overruled. 8 THE WITNESS: Yes. 9 BY MR. WERDER: 10 Yes. And Mr. Lane in fact described their downside 11 cases as a doom and gloom scenario, did he not, sir? 12 I don't recall the specific commentary. 13 Let's take a look at Mr. Lane's declaration, paragraph 14 And he's talking about the downside case that they 15 created in the fall of 2007, but it describes it -- which is 16 what he updated in April of 2008, correct, sir? This is his recent declaration? 17 18 He didn't file a recent declaration. This is his 19 declaration from December of 2009. 20 THE COURT: Had you reviewed that testimony? THE WITNESS: I reviewed those declarations. 21 22 THE COURT: Thank you. MR. POHL: May I make a point, Your Honor. 23 24 THE COURT: You can make an objection, if you have 25 a legal objection, but don't make a point.

Pg 88 of 105 207 Okay. I'm objecting because --1 MR. POHL: 2 THE COURT: A legal objection calls for about two What's your legal objection? 3 MR. POHL: Hearsay. 4 5 THE COURT: Overruled. BY MR. WERDER: 6 So, Mr. Tuliano, when UBS prepared the -- you can keep 7 that up for a second. When UBS prepared the April 2008 memo 8 9 that you relied on, they were updating their fall 2007 base 10 and downside cases, correct? 11 I don't believe that's correct.

> Okay. Do you take issue with Mr. Lane's testimony that when they prepared downside cases, they were doom and gloom scenarios?

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I don't take issue that he said it. I do take issue that the cases presented in these memos were -- the implication that these were not reasonably foreseeable downside cases and I think that has been pretty consistent from the various financial institutions and yet these cases were prepared, there are very detailed assumptions with these cases. They were run against the credit. They represent, as in many other cases, contemporaneous downside cases that the lenders considered.

So I find the subsequent testimony to be inconsistent with the level of detail that are in the assumptions and the stated purpose of the cases.

Q I see. So did you go and examine the UBS downside case to attempt to refute the testimony that Mr. Lane gave that their downside cases were designed to take all reasonably foreseeable risks and apply them all at once to the combined company to see how it could perform if all those bad things happened at once?

MR. POHL: Objection.

THE COURT: Overruled.

THE WITNESS: I'm not sure what you're asking did I do. I considered his testimony. I analyzed the cases. He talks about reasonably foreseeable risks. And many times reasonably foreseeable risks happen together and that's what ultimately you want to make sure a company is capitalized to be able to deal with is not only one adverse event, but a potential confluence of adverse events and I think that's essentially what he's saying.

BY MR. WERDER:

- Q My question was different though, sir. My question was did you go back and look at how UBS prepared its downside cases in order to refute Mr. Lane's testimony about how they were prepared?
- A I was not attempting to refute his testimony.
- Q Okay. So you didn't do that?
- 25 A No.

Okay. In addition to preparing a new downside case in 1 Q April of '08, UBS prepared a new base case as well, did they 2 3 not? I believe that's correct. Α 4 5 And if we go back to Exhibit DX-311 and take a look at page 33, UBS is describing a management case, a UBS base case 6 7 and a UBS downside case, correct? 8 Α Yes. 9 And the management case is the new management case that management had put out in April of 2008, correct? 10 That's one of the cases they put in April. 11 Α 12 And the UBS base case is UBS' own base case, is it not, 13 sir? 14 Α I believe that's the case. 15 Q And it's different than the management case, correct? 16 Α Yes. 17 Q It's lower than the management case, correct? 18 THE COURT: I'm sorry, did you answer? 19 THE WITNESS: I didn't answer, I'm sorry. 20 MR. WERDER: Yeah, we can --21 THE COURT: Stop. Let him answer your question. 22 MR. WERDER: Sorry. You know what, I'll withdraw 23 the question. 24 THE COURT: Okay.

MR. WERDER: Keep that page up there, would you,

- 1 Jason? Thank you.
- 2 BY MR. WERDER:
- 3 Q UBS' observation with respect to the new UBS base case
- 4 is that it provides for strong liquidity through the
- 5 projection period remaining greater than 1.9 billion,
- 6 correct, sir?
- 7 A That is their observation, yes.
- 8 Q And the projection period was a five year projection
- 9 period that ran out to 2012, am I right?
- 10 A It goes to 2011.
- 11 Q I stand corrected, thank you.
- 12 A Oh, I'm sorry --
- 13 Q No, the base case.
- 14 A The management case goes to 2011, the base case --
- 15 Q The company --
- 16 THE COURT: One at a time.
- MR. WERDER: Sorry.
- 18 THE COURT: One at a time.
- MR. WERDER: Yes.
- 20 BY MR. WERDER:
- 21 Q The company's case ran to 2011, correct?
- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q That was the management case.
- 24 A Correct.
- 25 Q The UBS base case and the UBS downside case both ran to

- 1 2012, correct?
- 2 A That is correct.
- Q And if we look at -- well, I'm not going to do that, withdrawn.
- THE COURT: Just so we're clear, we're going to go
 to 5:20 today, because of the late start this morning, we'll
 make up a little bit of that time. We started this afternoon
 at 2:20, we'll go to 5:20 and then break.
- 9 MR. WERDER: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 10 BY MR. WERDER:
- 11 Q Now in your February 2011 report at table 9, you
 12 reported the result of running of your cash flow adequacy
 13 test on UBS' new downside case, correct?
- 14 A Yes.
- Q And that analysis was done from the perspective of April 2008, not from the perspective of December 2007, correct?
- 17 A Yes.
- Q And you used their downside case, their new downside case, not their new base case, am I right?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q And you purported to show a cash flow deficit in 2008, 22 right? The 147 million?
- 23 A Yes.
- Q And Mr. Purchell (phonetic), when he commented on your
 February 2011 report, identified an error in your

- 1 calculation, correct?
- 2 A I believe that's right.
- 3 Q And the error related to the manner in which you had
- 4 calculated the term loan A mandatory repayment schedule, am I
- 5 right?
- A I don't recall specifically. We did submit an updated
- 7 exhibit.
- 8 Q Right. And that is in your report in June 2011, you
- 9 agreed, at page 11 of that report, that the error that Mr.
- 10 Purchell had identified was in fact an error, correct?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q And you corrected that error with Exhibit II, Exhibit
- Roman II, in your June 2011 report, correct
- 14 A Yes.
- Q And when you corrected your error, the \$147 million
- 16 deficit that you had claimed for 2008 became a 557 million
- 17 positive number, correct?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q And the -- that's about a \$700 million difference,
- 20 correct?
- 21 A Yes.
- 22 Q And when you corrected the error that Mr. Purchell had
- identified for the five year projection period as a whole,
- 24 the deficit that you had previously asserted became a
- 25 positive number, correct?

213 1 Α Yes. 2 And in fact what originally you had reported as a cumulative deficit of 1.6 -- withdrawn. When you corrected 3 the error, you didn't identify any deficit at all until 2011, 4 5 correct? Α Yes. 6 7 And the deficit that you are identifying --THE COURT: I'm sorry, on a cumulative basis, the 8 9 first deficit is in 2010. MR. WERDER: Are you looking at the June report, 10 11 Your Honor? 12 THE COURT: No, I'm sorry. What page? I'm looking 13 at Exhibit 2. 14 THE WITNESS: Yeah, I'm having a little trouble 15 with my own exhibits here too. 16 MR. WERDER: We did submit that with the report, 17 Your Honor. 18 THE COURT: The rebuttal report? 19 MR. WERDER: Correct. 20 THE COURT: I'd appreciate if you could tell me 21 what table -- the exhibit, what are you looking at it? 22 THE WITNESS: Exhibit 2. MR. WERDER: The copies of the report -- do you 23 24 have it Your Honor?

THE COURT: Yes, I do.

BY MR. WERDER:

Q And so the --

THE COURT: Have you finished your answer?

THE WITNESS: I'm not sure I have.

BY MR. WERDER:

Q Yeah, go ahead.

A What I was pointing out was that the deficit, the first year of the deficit, was 2010, 750 million. And at that point in time the leverage ratio was up to 10.6 times, the leverage ration, debt to EBITDA.

So this test is no more than just looking for a cumulative deficit. It looks at a number of factors including individual deficits in an individual year, how much cash flow is actually being generated by the business plan, what the leverage ratios are and whether the company would be bankable company at that point in time, keeping in mind that the company is still carrying 24 billion in debit through this process. Leverage is increasing and the cash flow is anemic and then goes negative.

- Q Well, UBS looked at the same downside case that you're performing your analysis on here, didn't they, sir?
- A Yes.
- Q And they concluded, based on their analysis of their downside case that the liquidity was going to be adequate, correct and above what they believed was necessary?

- We reviewed the commentary and those are the comments 1 2 that they made. They have their comments in the memo as well. 3 And just so that we're clear about the UBS downside 4 5 case, that UBS downside case is showing synergies that were not only well below what management was projecting, but well 6 7 below what the company was in fact achieving in 2008, 8 correct? In the downside case? 9 Α 10 Q Yes. Yeah, it was downside case for them as well. 11 12 Q And the synergies --13 THE COURT: Hold it. We may be ships passing in 14 the night. 15 MR. WERDER: Sorry, Your Honor. 16 THE COURT: I heard your question, I heard the 17 answer. I don't think you got an answer to the question you 18 asked. 19 MR. WERDER: No. Let me rephrase the question. 20 BY MR. WERDER: 21 Mr. Tuliano, I maybe have sped up a little bit for the
 - last 20 minutes. The UBS downside case that you're analyzing in your chart is a downside case that assumes synergies well below both what management was projecting and well below what was in fact being achieved, correct?

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- A I think that's incorrect.
- Q Well, the projections were for a total -- were for 42.7
- million in 2008, 130 million in '09 and 210 million in each
- 4 of 2010 through 2012. That's well below what management was
- 5 projecting, is it not, sir?
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- 7 A I'm sorry, I'm not understanding your question. I
- 8 thought those were the management. You're looking at the
- 9 case -- in the downside case. Yes, that's correct.
- 10 Q Yes. So the downside case that is the subject of your
- 11 presentation in Exhibit 2 is a downside case that considers
- 12 hundreds of millions of dollars less in synergies than what
- management was expecting, correct, sir?
- 14 A Correct.
- 15 Q And you didn't run your cash flow on the April -- the
- 16 new April 2008 base case that UBS developed and put forward
- to its credit committee, correct?
- 18 A Correct.
- 19 Q And if you had done that, if you had used that case,
- 20 what you called a cumulative deficit of 500 million would be
- a cumulative positive number in the vicinity of 3.7 billion,
- 22 correct, sir?
- 23 A I have not done the math. If you have it, I'm happy to
- 24 look at it. It is not downside case though, but happy to
- 25 look at your calculation.

I'm going to mark this for 1 MR. WERDER: 2 identification as Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit 7. (Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit 7 was marked for 3 identification) 4 BY MR. WERDER: 5 And obviously we prepared this, you didn't prepare this, 6 but using the EBITDA projections from the new base case and 7 otherwise duplicating your results, it would appear that your 8 cash flow test would generate a total cumulative surplus of 9 10 \$3.7 billion over the period of time covered by the 11 projections, correct? 12 Α Yes. 13 And the conclusions that UBS reached, based on its new base case and its new downside case and the new management 14 15 case in April of 2008 are very different than the opinions that you're offering here, correct? 16 17 Well, UBS has a number of observations. I've not seen 18 them issue opinions as to capital adequacy of the nature that 19 I've issued. 20 Well, let's look at Mr. Lane's declaration, which I 21 think we established earlier you had reviewed, correct? 22 Α Yes. 23 And Mr. Lane testified in paragraph 78 of his 24 declaration that in April 2008 UBS continued to have a great

deal of confidence in the company on a long term basis in

terms of performance and a great deal of confidence that it 1 2 was adequately capitalized and had the ability to pay its debts as they became due. That was his testimony, correct? 3 Α Yes. 4 5 And that was very consistent with the conclusions set forth in the memo that UBS wrote for its credit committee, 6 7 where it commented on its expectations concerning liquidity, correct, sir? 8 I don't agree with that. 9 All right. Let's turn to your covenant analysis in your 10 2009 report. You -- let me have the right page. I guess 11 12 we're in the leverage section, right? Yeah, page 58. 13 MR. WERDER: Which report are we looking at? 14 MR. WERDER: This is November 2008 report, the 15 first report. 16 THE COURT: 2009. 17 MR. WERDER: 2009, yes. November 7, 2009. 18 BY MR. WERDER: 19 And you're here analyzing potential covenant breaches, 20 correct, sir? 21 Α Yes. 22 And the banks that finance the deal evaluated potential covenant breaches as well, did they not, sir? 23 24 Not in this way, but they certainly were involved in

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setting the covenants.

All right The Citibank July 15th memo that you relied 1 Q 2 on and from which you drew the downside case projections contained a valuation of LBI, correct, sir? 3 I believe that's right. 4 5 0 And on Citibank's valuation LBI was expected to have billions of dollars of equity value, correct, sir? 6 7 MR. POHL: Objection, Your Honor. Hearsay. THE COURT: Overruled. He said he considered this 8 9 in doing his report. He did consider it. Overruled. BY MR. WERDER: 10 The Citi memo that you relied on indicated that the 11 Q 12 company would have billions of dollars of equity value, 13 correct, sir? 14 That very well may be. I was focusing on capital adequacy ultimately and there's another expert that will 15 16 address the valuation. 17 Understood. And your report doesn't set forth the 18 valuation, correct? 19 Correct. 20 And it doesn't analyze or criticize the Citi valuation, 21 does it? 22 Α No. And for companies with billions of dollars in equity 23 24 value, violations of covenants are highly unlikely to lead to

the failure of the business, correct, sir?

- A That's correct.
- 2 Q And companies with billions of dollars of equity have
- 3 lots of options for dealing with potential covenant
- 4 violations, don't they?
- 5 A I believe that's correct.
- 6 Q And if Citibank was right and all the other banks were
- 7 | right that LBI at inception had significant equity value,
- 8 that would provide compelling evidence that it was adequately
- 9 capitalized and able to pay its debts as they mature, would
- 10 it not, sir?

- 11 A I believe that's inconsistent with everything that I've
- 12 looked at.
- 13 Q Well, I didn't ask you whether it was inconsistent, I
- asked if Citi and the other banks were right that they were
- 15 significant equity value, then that would provide compelling
- 16 evidence that it was adequately capitalized and able to pay
- its debits as they mature, correct?
- 18 A I would have to see that equity value and compare it to
- 19 the overall leverage and the industry, the amount of leverage
- 20 that was taken in the industry and so forth.
- MR. WERDER: Mark this as Tuliano Cross Examination
- 22 Exhibit 8.
- 23 (Tuliano Cross Examination Exhibit 8 was marked for
- 24 identification)
- 25 BY MR. WERDER:

Q And if we look at page 38 of your report, you state in paragraph 100:

"As a threshold matter it is important to recognize that for Adelphia, a company with over 3.7 billion in equity value, a violation of financial covenants, which is in essence a technical violation rather than a payment default, would be highly unlikely to lead to the failure of the business. Unlike a company with little or no equity value, Adelphia had a variety of options available to it in the event of potential covenant issues, including obtaining any necessary waivers, renegotiating such covenants to reflect changing expectations with respect to the business, raising equity and paying down debt, selling assets and paying down debt or slowing its growth to preserve cash and reduce debt needs."

Correct, sir? That was your testimony, was is not?

Yes, absolutely.

Q And it's true as a general -- this is not an opinion that's specific to Adelphia, correct, sir? LBI in fact had billions of equity value, like the banks said that it did and as Citi estimated in the document that you relied upon, that would provide compelling evidence that it was adequately capitalized and able to pay its debts when due, correct?

A I can't agree with that. Adelphia, the 3.billion

Adelphia had approximate 3 billion in debt. This would be

the functional equivalent of LBI having 20 billion of equity value. Adelphia was a cable company in a market that was no subject to trough conditions. This transfer was as of 1999, this was a very robust economy at that point in time. Cable companies have very robust valuations and ultimately very different that LBI in the midst of a credit crunch as an LBO. Adelphia was not a leveraged buyout.

Q And if we look further down on the page in paragraph 101, you say:

"Additionally Professor Sheked (phonetic) dismisses billions of dollars in equity value by virtue of his flawed balance sheet analysis, which when properly considered provides compelling evidence that Adelphia was adequately capitalized."

That was your testimony in the Adelphia case, correct, sir?

A Correct.

Q And is it your testimony here today that the presumed, assumed for purposes of my question, existence of billions of dollars of equity value as the banks indicated existed in LBI does not provide compelling evidence of its ability to -- of its adequate capitalization and it's ability to pay its debits, when due, is that your opinion?

A Yes. Very different circumstances, very different company, very different time, very different amount of

leverage, very different optionality. With respect to the 1 2 company at that point in time, very different access to the capital markets, completely different analysis. 3 MR. WERDER: It's a good breaking point, Your 4 5 Honor. THE COURT: Thank you. All right. We'll recess 6 for the day. We'll resume at 9:00 in the morning. Hopefully 7 we'll end at 5:00 tomorrow. I have another hearing at 5:30, 8 a first day hearing at 5:30. 9 10 You can leave everything in the courtroom. I just 11 ask that tomorrow that you cover up anything that -- I don't 12 think it will be a very long hearing, but you should cover up 13 anything that you consider being sensitive or confidential 14 tomorrow, otherwise you can leave everything here. 15 courtroom will be locked up when everybody leaves. 16 MR. WERDER: Are we on the usual rule of witnesses on cross examination not consult with counsel? 17 18 THE COURT: That's correct. 19 MR. WERDER: Thank you, Your Honor. 20 THE COURT: Thank you very much. You're excused for the day. We'll resume tomorrow at 9:00. 21 22 (Court in recess at 05:23 p.m.)

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